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Sir:

This is in response to the office action mailed March 15, 2004, for which a one-month extension of time to respond is respectfully requested.

The Examiner has required restriction to one of the following:

Group I. Claims 1-23, drawn to a flow reactor, classified in Class 422, subclass 197.

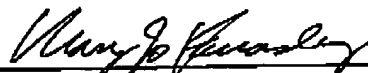
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Group II. Claims 24-32, drawn to a process for conversion of organic compounds, classified in Class 585, subclass 310.

Applicants elect Group 1, Claims 1-23, drawn to a flow reactor.

Applicants elect the species shown in Figure 2 upon which Claims 1-10 are readable. This election is without traverse to the extent that it is understood that (a) the requirement will be withdrawn upon the finding of an allowable genus; and (b) any species withdrawn from consideration will be transferred to the elected subject matter unless it is found patentably distinct from the elected or allowed claims.

Respectfully submitted,



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